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MR. SECRETARY, NO WORDS CAN ADEQUATELY EXPRESS MY SHOCK AND SORROW OVER THIS TRAGEDY. THE U.S. HAS LOST A GREAT PRESIDENT AND THE WORLD AN ARDENT, DETERMINED FIGHTER FOR PEACE. STOP. THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY IS A TRAGIC LOSS TO ALL MEN WHO WANT TO LIVE IN FREEDOM. STOP. THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL MOURN THIS DEATH TOGETHER WITH ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD. STOP. I SHALL NEVER FORGET THE IMPACT OF HIS PERSONALITY WHEN I WAS PRIVILEGED TO HAVE A DISCUSSION WITH HIM LAST YEAR. STOP. OUR FIRST THOUGHTS ARE THOSE OF PROFOUND SYMPATHY FOR MRS. KENNEDY AND THE LATE PRESIDENT'S FAMILY AND FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE U.S. STOP.

SINCERELY,

GOLDA MEIR.